

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**
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For: BIOCATALYST FOR PRODUCTION) Confirmation No.: 9341
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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT AND
INTERVIEW SUBSTANCE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action (Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment) dated May 6, 2009, and further in response to interviews with the Examiner and the Examiner's Supervisor on May 15 and May 19, 2009, Applicants submit herewith the following Reply.